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Ms. Anne K. Quinlan Acting Secretary Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Docket No. AB-303 (Sub. No. 18X), Wisconsin Central Ltd.-

Abandonment Exemption--In Polk County, WI-Response to Petition

for Extension of Notice of Interim Trail Use

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

I am in receipt of the petition filed July 10, 2009, by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Polk County, WI seeking an extension of 180 days on the period to negotiate an interim trail/rail banking agreement. Please be advised that Wisconsin Central Ltd. does not object to this request.

Very Truly Yours,

Michael J. Barron, Jr.

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cc: Ms. Kathleen Chung, WisDOT, via fax (608-267-6734)